



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Special Village Board Workshop
Monday, December 9, 2024
6:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 301

A. Call to Order – 6:01 P.M.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Upon roll call by Clerk Cosby, Acting President Simon and Trustees Christiansen, Fasules, Kalinich, Gould, and Thompson answered “Present.”

Also present were Village Manager Franz, Village Attorney Stephanides, Finance Director Brankin, Public Works Assistant Director Hubsby, Community Development Director Henaghan, Economic Development Coordinator Hannah, and Police Chief Norton.

D. Audience Participation

There was no off-agenda audience participation.

E. Discussion Items

- 1) Micromobility Devices/Electric Bicycles and Scooters (Police Chief Norton and Village Attorney Stephanides)

Village Attorney Stephanides outlined the Village’s ability to regulate these devices/electric bikes and how the Village currently regulates these items. He also reviewed regulations other communities have in place.

Police Chief Norton continued by explaining the complications in developing and enforcing an ordinance of this type. He suggested that the strategy should be to develop the bones of an ordinance, that the Village Attorney will write, and then have Board discussion in February. It was suggested that once an ordinance is adopted, a public campaign should be conducted to inform residents of the new regulation. Parental responsibility could be part of the final ordinance.

Police Chief Norton gave examples of complaints that have been received, primarily in the Central Business District.

Police Chief Norton fielded questions from the Board regarding the current state of the issue within the Village and how surrounding communities are addressing the regulation of these vehicles. Discussion ensued.

Caren Cosby, as a resident, asked if these vehicles could be treated like recreational vehicles that share trails/roads (i.e. ATVs). Police Chief Norton replied.

2. Review of Fee Process (Village Manager Franz)

Village Manager Franz gave a brief review of the building permit fee process from 2018 through the present. He outlined how any future fee reviews will be addressed.

Trustee Kalinich suggested different wording for the proposed resolution on annual fee reviews. The Board discussed the proposed wording and logistics that would require Board action instead of automatic increases.

The Board continued to discuss fees in general and how the new Community Development software system will facilitate better information and execution.

Pete Ladisec, resident, gave his perspective on how to address the fee process and avoid lost revenues. The Board gave their perspective on his comments. Mr. Ladisec replied.

Discussion continued about the period from 2018 until this year and other fees that had been adjusted during the pandemic. It was suggested that the fee process needs to be considered to also understand its effect on the overall budget. Village Manager Franz gave his proposal on steps that should be taken.

The ordinance will be adjusted with the current input of the Board and brought back for review in January.

F. Other Business

G. Reminders

H. Adjourn – 6:57 P.M.

- a. Mover: Trustee Thompson; Second: Trustee Christiansen. Unanimous vote to adjourn.